

Supplemental Amendments to the Claims:

The incorrect status identifiers for claims 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11 and 12 as set forth in the Amendment filed January 12, 2005 are hereby corrected. The status identifier "previously presented" used in conjunction with the referenced claims is hereby changed to "original." No other amendments to the claims as set out in the January 12, 2005 Amendment are made.

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1 (currently amended): A tripod for supporting a device above a ground surface comprising:

- a) a platform base for supporting the device;
- b) three leg assemblies coupled to the platform base, each said leg assembly comprising a triangular structure having an apex located at a foot of each leg assembly;
- c) three support link assemblies extending in a substantially vertically downward direction to a central point below said base, each said support link assembly comprising a triangular structure having an apex located at said central point;
- d) three sets of stabilizer links coupled at one end to said central point and at a second end to a respective one of said leg assemblies; and
- e) three caster assemblies coupled to respective ones of said leg assemblies at a distal end thereof, each caster assembly having a stabilizer member acting ~~through~~ adjacent to said caster assembly so as to bear selectively against the ground surface.

2 (original): The tripod of claim 1 wherein each of said leg assemblies comprise a pair of rods having first ends coupled to said platform base a predetermined distance apart and having said distal ends coupled to a foot.

3 (original): The tripod of claim 2 wherein said support link assemblies each comprise a pair of members coupled to said base a predetermined distance apart at a first end and coupled together at said central point.

4 (currently amended): A tripod stand for supporting a device above a ground surface comprising:

- a) three leg assemblies coupled to a platform base for supporting said device, each said leg assembly having a foot;
- b) three caster assemblies, each respectively coupled to one of said feet, each caster assembly having at least one wheel; and
- c) three stabilizer members selectively and adjustably acting through adjacent to each said caster assembly, respectively, to engage said ground surface.

5 (original): The tripod stand of claim 4 wherein said caster assemblies have at least one wheel.

6 (original): The tripod stand of claim 5 wherein each of said caster assemblies includes a pair of wheels.

7 (currently amended): The tripod stand of claim 6 wherein said pair of wheels are spaced a predetermined distance apart and said stabilizer member comprises a threaded bolt inserted through a threaded aperture in said foot so as to be selectively extendable between said pair of wheels.

8 (original): The tripod stand of claim 4 wherein each of said leg assemblies includes a foot having a threaded aperture and wherein said stabilizer member is selectively adjustable through said threaded aperture.

9 (cancelled).

10 (original): The tripod stand of claim 4 wherein said stabilizer members comprise elongate ground surface engaging members.

11 (original): The tripod stand of claim 10 wherein said elongate ground surface engaging members are threaded rods.

12 (original): The tripod stand of claim 11 wherein each of said feet have a threaded aperture adapted to receive said threaded rods.

13 (currently amended): The tripod of claim 2 wherein the platform base includes three ~~connector links~~ hollow cylindrical members coupled ~~between to~~ to said first ends of each of said rods in each respective leg assembly.

14-18 (cancelled).

19 (new): A tripod stand for supporting a device above a ground surface comprising:

- a) three leg assemblies coupled to a platform base for supporting said device, each said leg assembly having a foot, each foot having a threaded aperture for receiving a threaded sleeve;
- b) three caster assemblies, each caster assembly being respectively coupled to one of said feet, each caster assembly having at least one wheel; and
- c) three stabilizer members selectively and adjustably acting through a respective threaded sleeve in each of said foot members to engage said ground surface.